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**BY HAND**

The Honorable Deborah A. Batts  
United States District Judge  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Suite 2510  
New York, New York 10007

Re: Tikhomirova v. Quarantillo, et al.,  
07 Civ. 7465 (DAB)

Dear Judge Batts:

This Office represents defendants in the above-referenced action challenging an alleged delay in the adjudication of plaintiff Valentina Tikhomirova's application for adjustment of status. I write respectfully to request a thirty-day extension of time, from October 28, 2007, until November 27, 2007, to respond to plaintiff's Complaint in this case. We make this request because this Office has not yet received the relevant agency files from the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") and the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services ("CIS"), and will require time to review these materials in order to respond to plaintiff's allegations.

This is the defendants' first request for an extension of time in this case. Plaintiff's counsel, Ms. Jacqueline L. Meyer, Esq., consents to this request.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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**SO ORDERED**



DEBORAH A. BATTS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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